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FATAL BUS ACCIDENT MOHEGAN SUN CASINO

Today 08/26/04 at 10:51 a.m. State Police Troop- E Montville was notified of a serious bus vs pedestrian crash on Sandy Desert Rd. in Uncasville, Ct.

State Police Troopers, EMS Personnel, and Tribal Police all responded to the accident scene. EMS personnel pronounced the male pedestrian dead at the scene. The second pedestrian a female was seriously injured and was transported via ambulance to Backus Hospital. A third male walking with the two but not struck was also transported to Backus Hospital.

The accident scene was secured, the road was closed to traffic, and State Police accident investigators and State Police accident reconstruction specialist initiated the accident investigation.

Preliminary investigation revealed that the pedestrians were crossing Sandy Desert Rd as the bus was attempting to make a left turn from Mohegan Sun Blvd onto Sandy Desert Rd.

No injury was sustained by any passengers aboard the bus. No charges have been filed as the accident remains under investigation. A post Mortem examination of the deceased is scheduled at the Office of the Chief State's Medical Examiner.

Deceased is identified as JOSEPH YOUNG DOB: 11/15/35 Elm St. West Haven, Ct

Injured; Barbara Young DOB:5/3/39 Elm St West Haven, CT

John Young DOB: 04/23/64 Lester St. West Haven.CT

BUS: Morning Sun Bus Co. a company out of Massachusetts.

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